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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants hereby submit the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the documents cited is enclosed.

WO-1999/012394; JP 11-054268; EP-859539; JP 08-220560; and JP 06-186578 were cited in European Patent Application No. 05010071.8 in a Search Report dated September 13, 2005 (copy enclosed).

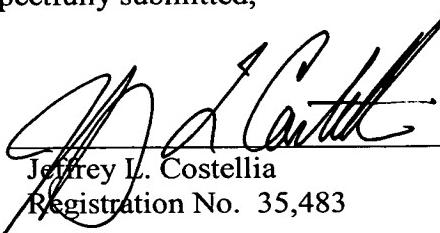
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